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MS SERIES.

G.O. No. 16

DATED 17.2.1934.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Church- St.Mark's Church. Bangalore - Construction of compound

Wall - Grant of Rs.500 sanctioned by the Government of India.

URGENT.

No. F.199-I/33.

From

The Under Secretary to the Government of India
in the Foreign and Political Department.

To

The Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

Dated New Delhi, the 5th February 1934.

Grant by Government towards the cost incurred in building a wall to enclose the St. Mark's Church, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the correspondence ending with your letter No. 10262/328-1932, dated the 31st October 1933, on the above subject, and to say that in the opinion of the Government of India the fact that the full cost of the erection of the compound wall of St. Mark's Church, Bangalore, would have been an admissible charge on Government funds is an insufficient reason for them to bear the whole cost when the congregation has resources to meet the greater part of it. The Government of India therefore regret their inability to agree to a contribution of more than the sum already recommended by your predecessor in his letter No. 2160/328-1932, dated the 8th March 1933.

2. In the circumstances I am directed to convey the sanction of the Government of India to a grant of Rs.500/- (rupees five hundred) towards the cost incurred in the construction of the compound wall of St. Mark's Church, Bangalore, on the understanding that the expenditure will

will be met by reappropriation within the budget estimates for the year 1933-1934 under Ex-Ecclesiastical. The ecclesiastical appropriation for Bangalore is included in the Madras Circle of Account.

3. I am to add that if the expenditure can not be met as proposed above the Government of India in the Commerce Department may be approached for provision of funds by the middle of this month.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- R. R. Burnett,

Under Secretary to the Government of India.

Copy of correspondence is forwarded to the Commerce Department, Government of Madras, Finance (Ecclesiastical) Department, for information.

By order, etc.,

Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

Copy of letter No. 2160 / 328-1932, dated the 8th March 1933, from the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Commerce.

Grant by Government towards the expenses incurred in building a wall to enclose the St. Mark's Church, Bangalore.

I have the honour to say that the question of erecting a compound wall to enclose the St. Mark's Church, Bangalore, was under the consideration of the Lay Trustees and St. Mark's Congregation for many years. A wall has now been erected at a cost of Rs.2,069/- which was advanced from Church Funds. Towards this expenditure, the Chaplain St. Mark's Church, has applied to me on behalf of the Lay Trustees and St. Mark's Congregation for a grant from the Mysore Assigned Tract Revenues. As the Government of India are aware, Ecclesiastical expenditure in the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, is not defrayed from the Revenues of the Assigned Tract, but is entirely debited to the Imperial Account in accordance with the orders in paragraph 6 of the Foreign Department letter No. 2100-Est. B., dated the 9th July, 1912.

2. The cost of the wall represents a genuine increase in the permanent value of the Church building and I am of opinion that the Chaplain's request for a grant deserves consideration. I would recommend a grant of Rs.500/- which is actually less than a fourth of the expenditure incurred out of Church Funds and request that the Government of India will be pleased to sanction it.

3. Headquarters, Madras District, who were consulted in the matter, approves of the proposal.

TRUE COPY

M.N. Banerji

Superintendent, Issue Branch,
Foreign & Political Department

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Copy of letter No. D.745-I/33, dated 16th May 1933, from the Under Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign and Political Department, Simla, to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

Grant by Government towards the expenses incurred in building a wall to enclose the St. Mark's Church, Bangalore.

Copy as in para 3 above

I am directed to refer to your letter addressed to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Commerce, No. 2160/328-1932, dated the 8th March 1933, on the above subject, and to state that St. Mark's Church, Bangalore, is a Government military church and rule 9 of Part V of the Ecclesiastical Rules is, therefore, applicable to it. The first part of this rule refers to the grant to be calculated for the main building of the Church, while the last paragraph lays down that, in addition to the grant for the main building, the cost within reasonable limits of acquiring, laying out and enclosing the site, inclusive of roads, culverts, drains, latrines, compound wall, gates, well of an inexpensive kind, and any other subsidiary work which may be considered to be legitimate may be authorised by the Government of India as a State charge. This limit of expenditure on subsidiary works has always been taken as ten per cent on the grant permissible for the construction of the church and any expenditure beyond this limit requires the sanction of the Secretary of State. I am to request that the Government of India may be informed whether the proposed grant of a sum of Rs. 500/- towards the construction of the compound wall, which is a work subsidiary to the main building of the church, is admissible in terms of the second paragraph of rule 9 mentioned above.

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2. I am also to refer to rule 23 H of Part V of the Ecclesiastical Rules, under which expenditure in excess of the permissible limit on additions and alterations to church or a building subsidiary thereto may be sanctioned by the Government of India, subject to a limit of Rs. 1,500/-, in the aggregate, for any one church. The Government of India may kindly be informed whether any project has been sanctioned under this rule since the 22nd June 1916, the date from which the rule in question is regarded as operative in the case of Government churches.

TRUE COPY
M Bonerji
Superintendent, Issue Branch,
Foreign & Political Department

Copy of letter No. 10262/328-1932 dated the 31st October, 1933. from the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, to the Political Secretary to the Government of India.

Grant by Government towards the cost incurred in building a wall to enclose the St. Mark's Church, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

I have the honour to refer to the correspondence ending with letter No. E.745-I/33, dated the 16th May 1933, from the Foreign and Political Department, on the subject mentioned above.

2. The original St. Mark's Church building was destroyed by fire in 1923. Sanction to its restoration at an estimated cost of Rs.67,954/- was conveyed in letter No. 333-C(6), dated the 9th September 1926, from the Government of India, Department of Commerce, the Government of India contributing Rs.62,500/- towards the cost. The restoration of the church was completed during 1927-28 (in July 1927), the expenditure incurred by Government on this account being Rs.61,947/- according to the figures furnished by the Garrison Engineer, Bangalore. I would invite a reference to the enclosed copy of a statement prepared by the Garrison Engineer which shows that the Government grant permissible for the construction of the main building of the church under the first part of Rule 9 of Part V of the Ecclesiastical Rules, amounts to Rs. 59,929/-. Under the second part of Rule 9 of Part V of the Ecclesiastical Rules, the expenditure permissible on acquiring, laying out and enclosing the site, inclusive of roads, culverts, drains, latrines, compound wall, gates, well of an inexpensive kind and any other subsidiary work, is ordinarily limited to 10 per cent on the grant.

permissible

permissible for the construction of the main building and amounts, in this case, to Rs. 5,992/8/- or Rs.5,992/- in round figures. The only expenditure incurred by Government on subsidiary works after the reconstruction of the church is a sum of Rs.39/- spent in 1929-30 on providing lightning conductors. After deducting the above sum of Rs.39/-, the grant still available for subsidiary works is Rs.5,992/- — Rs.39 or Rs.5953/-. I would mention here that the estimate for the work now under consideration, prepared by the Garrison Engineer, Bangalore, came to Rs. 2,069/- which is the amount actually expended by the Chaplain of St. Mark's Church on the work - vide the first paragraph of Sir Richard Burke's letter No. 2160, dated the 8th March 1933, to the Government of India, Department of Commerce. The Grant recommended by Sir Richard Burke towards the work, namely, Rs.500/- is only a small portion of the actual cost of it. Had the Chaplain submitted the proposal for this work in accordance with rule 2 of Part V of the Ecclesiastical Rules, the full cost of the work would have been an admissible charge on Government funds under the last paragraph of Rule 9, Part V of the Ecclesiastical Rules. The Chaplain by his precipitancy and by not complying with the rules has unnecessarily expended Rs. 2,069/- of the Church Funds. As it is clear from what has already been said and from the statement furnished by the Garrison Engineer that the entire cost of the work is a legitimate charge on Government, I feel that the Government of India may not wish that the Church Congregation should be made to defray any portion of the cost. I would, therefore, recommend that the Government of India may be pleased to condone the action of the Church authorities in carrying out the work without the previous sanction of the Government of India and to sanction the

payment

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payment to the Church authorities of a full grant of Rs.2,069/- towards the construction of the compound wall in lieu of the sum of Rs.500/- recommended by Sir Richard Burke.

As regards paragraph 2 of the letter under reference, I would say that no project has been sanctioned by the Government of India under rule 23 B of Part V of the Ecclesiastical Rules since the 22nd June 1916, in the case of St. Mark's Church.

Statement showing permissible grant for St. Mark's Church, Bangalore, worked out in accordance with Ecclesiastical Rules. Part V Rule 9.

Public offices for comparison	cost	Rs.1,78,498/-
	cubical contents.	9,00,133 Cft.
	Cost per Cft.	3.17 Annas.

St. Mark's Church.

Cubical contents	2,62,704 Cft.
Permissible cost - 3.17 plus 15%.	3.65 As. per Cft.
Grant admissible under the 1st part of Part V - Rule 9	Rs. 59,929/-
Grant admissible under the 2nd part of Part V - Rule 9 at 10%	Rs. 5,992/8/- or 5,992/-.

TRUE COPY

Superintendent, Issue Branch,
Foreign & Political Department.

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C. INDIAN POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY — FINANCE DEPARTMENT

NOTICE.

This form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram.

Charges to pay: Rs. As.

Office Stamp

Handed in at (Office of Origin).	Date.	Hour.	Minute.	Service Instructions.	Words.
Bangalore	14				

TO Madras Finance Recd. here at 16 H. 15 M.

1261 reference correspondence ending with your letter dated 17/11/23 forwarding for sanction a proposal to expend five hundred rupees on the construction of a compound wall at Kolar Chinthamani Please Telegraph whether funds are available for the proposed construction

N. B.—The name of the Sender, if telegraphed, is written after the text.

Years grant

2 Accountants

Post Master Kolar

Kolar

Required for the Memorandum of Expenditure for Kolar Post Office

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Fin (Ecd) Dept.

Very urgent-

T. M.

From Asst Secretary to Govt.
Fin (Ecd) Dept.

To

: Venerable the Archdeacon
of Madras.

Ny. 1-2 C. F

The Govt. of India have sanctioned a grant of Rs 500 (rupees five hundred) towards the cost incurred in ~~connection with~~ the construction of the compound wall of St. Mark's Church, Bangalore, on the understanding that the expenditure will be met by reappropriation within the budget estimates for the year 1933-34 under '28- Ecclesiastical'. Will you ~~please~~ kindly say whether savings to the extent of Rs 500 over and above those reported in your letter No. 9987 & 27.11.33 are anticipated. ~~Accordingly~~ A very early reply is requested, as the Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore

Pbg 9085-86 Ecd (V)
& 23-12-33

has wired for a telegraphic reply in the matter.

PVP
14.2.34

CM
14.2.34

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15.2.34

Issued
P. C. of T.M. to be issued.

Ref 9 C.F.

The reply from the Ven'ble The Archdeacon has not yet been received. He may perhaps be reminded. The following draft T.M. is submitted.

T. M

From Asst. Secy to Govt. Edn (Ecel) Dept—
To the Ven'ble the Archdeacon of Madras.

Reference my T.M. dt 15.2.34 regarding grant for St. Mark's Church, Bangalore

Will you kindly let me know when a reply may be expected?

Ref 1
Similar letter
12 infra

PVP
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16.2.34

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DIOCESE OF MADRAS

Telegrams: BISHOP: CONFUTET
" ARCHDEACON: ARRHALEM
Telephone No. 3634

THE DIOCESAN OFFICE
CATHEDRAL, P.O.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
17 FEB 1934
FINANCE DEPT.

No.....

Madras, 16th February 1934.

Post Copy of Telephonic message.

From

The Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras

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To

The Assistant Secretary to Government,
Finance (Ecclesiastical) Department.

Reference your telephone message dated the 15th inst.

Assuming that the figure of Rs.7,300/- shewn in the Revised Budget Estimate for 1933-34 under A-12.Allowances, Honoraria, etc. - Cost of Passages granted under S.C.S.Rules is being taken as the cost of Passages for Chaplains, and that there will be no re-appropriation required on this account, and also provided that the Bishop of Madras makes no tours before proceeding on leave, there will be an additional saving of Rs.800 odd under the Lord Bishop's Visitation Allowance.

In addition to the above I would call attention to the fact that the unanticipated arrival of a new Chaplain about the 18th instant will necessitate additional expenditure under A-2. Pay of Chaplains, etc., Madras, for ten days in this financial year.

Archdeacon of Madras.

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Fin (Ecl) Dept

Telegram (Express)

No. 4891-1

17.2.34

To –

Secretary to
Bangalore

Page 9 C.F.

Your telegram ~~dated~~ fourteenth [regarding] grant St. Mark's Church AAA. ~~Nil savings available~~ All savings surrendered to commence Delhi letter 86 Ecel. dated December 23rd No ~~further~~ savings now available

PLP 17.2.34

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From the Govt. of India, For. & Pol. Dept. No. F.149-18 S. 2.34. Finance (Eccl.).
Telegram from the Secy. to the Resident in Mysore No. 1269 S. 14.2.34.
T.M. from the Archdeacon S. 16.2.34

Subject:- St. Mark's Church, Bangalore - Construction of compound wall - Grant of Rs.500 sanctioned by the Govt. of India.

On an application made by the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, the Govt. of India in the Foreign and Political Dept have sanctioned the grant of a sum of Rs.500 from Central Revenues towards the cost of construction of the compound wall for the St. Mark's Church, Bangalore. The sanction has been accorded on the understanding that the expenditure will be met by re-appropriation within the budget estimates for the year 1933-34 under "28-Eccl.". The Govt. of India have pointed out to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore:--

(1) that the ecclesiastical appropriation for Bangalore is included in the Madras Circle of account;

and(2) that, if the expenditure cannot be met by re-appropriation, the Govt. of India in the Commerce department may be approached for provision of funds by the middle of this month.

With reference to the above instructions of the Govt. of India, the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore has asked this Govt. to intimate to him by telegram whether the sum of Rs.500 required can be made available by re-appropriation.

2. It is submitted that the question of additional appropriations and surrenders under "28-Eccl." for the year 1933-34 in the Madras section of the accounts was considered by this Govt. in detail last December. After sanctioning the necessary re-appropriations, a sum of Rs.14080 has already been surrendered to the Govt. of India - please see para 1 of letter No. 86 Fin.(Eccl.) dated 23-12-33.

3. The Ven'ble the Archdeacon who was requested to state whether there is a possibility of any fresh savings

savings becoming available, has pointed out that ~~the~~ savings to the extent of Rs.800 may be available under the "Lord Bishop's visitation allowance" if the Bishop of Madras makes no tours before proceeding on leave. He has however pointed out that ~~some~~ extra expenditure will be incurred under 'cost of passages' and 'pay of Chaplains' in the net result, therefore, no savings are available ~~for~~ re-appropriation for the grant of Rs.500 now in question.

4. A draft reply telegram to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore saying that no savings are available in the Madras section, is submitted for approval.

A draft order communicating the Govt. of India's orders at pages 1-2 C.F. with its enclosures to the Rt.Rev. the Bishop is also submitted for approval.

Thro' Budget General.

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B 17.2.34

As personally ordered by the Secretary, the Accts-Genl's Office has been consulted as regards the actual expenditure uptodate on account of "Cost of passages". The total comes to Rs 7,258-8-0 as detailed below

	Rs.	as.
Revd. H.J. Edwards ...	951 -	13
A.T. Coldman ...	1026 -	11
Family of Revd. E.H. Fry ...	2466 -	11
Revd. Hayward and family }	2813 -	5
	7,258 -	8.

The sanctioned appropriation for "Cost of passages" is only Rs 5,700, an additional appropriation of Rs 1,559 will be necessary. The Venble the Archdeacon says that, provided that the Bishop of Madras makes no tours before proceeding on leave, there

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will be an additional Saving of Rs 800 under Lord Bishop's Visitation Allowance. Assuming that this Saving is available as net additional appropriation of Rs 759 will be required. Besides this, the Ven'ble the Archdeacon says that an addition appropriation (of about Rs 232) under 'Pay of Chaplains' will be required — i.e. on the whole a sum of about Rs 991 will be required. Submit that the Ven'ble the Archdeacon may be requested to apply for the necessary additional appropriation

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2. As no Savings are thus available for utilisation towards the grant of Rs 500 for the Construction of the Compound wall of the St. Mark's Church Bangalore, orders are solicited whether the draft telegram and the draft order below may be issued.

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18.2.34

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13 CF [Telegram issued No. 4891-1B 17.2.34.]

14 CF [GO issued No. 16 Ecl dt 17.2.34]

P.T.O.

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With reference to M on page 3 above, a draft memo to the Ven'ble The Archdeacon is Subtd. for approval.

PVP
21.2.34
CME
21.2.34

Cr
22.2.34

Dealt with in Separate file vide pp. R40 and 50 of 34.

[Memo No. 4819 Encl. to of 22.2.34]
(Ct No. 7179) From the Ven'ble the Archdeacon No. 9993 of 27.2.34.

M 15-16 C.F
17 C.F

The Ven'ble the Archdeacon's reply at page 17 C.F. is Subtd. for perusal. The A.G's reply to the endt. at page 16 C.F. may be awaited till 8.3.34.

PVP
2.3.34
CME
2.3.34

Cr
2/3/34

The A.G's reply has not yet been received. Subtd the case may lie over till 12.3.34.

Cr
12.3.34

[It has been informally ascertained from the A.G's office that the reply will be sent before 12.3.34]

PVP
10.3.34
CME
10.3.34

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C.F. 16.

DRAFT FOR APPROVAL.

Fin (Ecc) Dept.

	Date.	Initials.
When received for fair copying ..	7/2/34	
When copied ..	19/2/34	
When examined ..		
When signed ..		
When despatched ..		

SUBJECT :— Churches — St. Mark's Church, Bangalore — Construction of Compound wall — Grant of Rs 500 sanctioned by the Govt. of India.

READ AGAIN :— _____, dated _____ 19____.

" " _____ " _____ 19____.

READ *ALSO* :— M-1-2-F

No. _____ From the Govt. of India, Foreign and Political Dept. No. F. 199-1/33 dated 5-2-1934.

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~~Order~~ ~~Resolution~~ Ms. ~~Rout~~ No. 16, dated 17-2-1934.

Communicated to the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Madras for information.

PVP
17-2-34

CM
17.2.34.

to

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Madras (with copy of pages 1-8 C.F.)

Accountant General (with copy of pp 1-8 C.F.)

Cash
17-2-34

HM
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